

HR 586

Denali National Park Improvement Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** AK • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Discharged from	Jul 24, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 S 157	Identical bill	Sep 18, 2013: Became Public Law No: 113-33.

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary has been expanded because action occurred on the measure.)

Denali National Park Improvement Act - Authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to issue permits for specified microhydro projects in the Kantishna Hills area within the Denali National Park and Preserve (the Park) in Alaska. Defines "microhydro project" as a hydroelectric power generating facility with a maximum power generation capability of 100 kilowatts and includes any distribution or transmission lines required to serve such area.

Requires the Secretary, within 180 days after submission of a permit application, to complete any analysis required by the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 respecting any proposed or existing microhydro projects in the area.

Directs the Secretary to exchange Park land near or adjacent to land owned by Doyon Tourism, Inc., located at the mouth of Eureka Creek for approximately 18 acres of land owned by Doyon Tourism within the Galena patented mining claim. Instructs the Secretary to seek to complete such exchange by February 2015. Permits an equalization of any unequal values of the tracts proposed for exchange by adjusting the quantity of the acreage owned by Doyon Tourism.

Requires the land acquired by the Secretary to be administered as part of the Park.

Authorizes the Secretary to issue right-of-way permits, subject to certain terms and conditions, for: (1) a high-pressure natural gas transmission pipeline (including appurtenances) in nonwilderness areas within the boundary of the Park within, along, or near the approximately seven-mile segment of the George Parks Highway that runs through the Park; and (2) any distribution and transmission pipelines and appurtenances that the Secretary determines to be necessary to provide natural gas supply to the Park.

Designates the Talkeetna Ranger Station that is on B Street in Talkeetna, Alaska, and that is approximately 100 miles south of the entrance to the Park, as the Walter Harper Talkeetna Ranger Station.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 20, 2013:** Reported by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 113-217.
- **Sep 20, 2013:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 157.
- **Jul 24, 2013:** Subcommittee on Public Lands and Environmental Regulation Discharged.
- **Jul 24, 2013:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jul 24, 2013:** Ordered to be Reported by Unanimous Consent.
- **May 9, 2013:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Mar 11, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Public Lands and Environmental Regulation.
- **Feb 6, 2013:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 6, 2013:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.